Further, ONGC had to suspend its operations in Nagaland from May 94 which is causing a loss of about 250 tons of oil per day amounting to a loss revenue of around Rs. 5 lakhs per day to ONGC at current prices.

(d) In Assam, ONGC has deployed its regular security personnel and CISF to safeguard and protect personnel and property of ONGC. Meetings are held regularly with the District Administration, Police Authorities to review the threat perception and to take appropriate measures. Meetings of the Onshore Security Coordination Committee are also held with DGP, Assam. As regards Nagaland, ONGC have held several rounds of discussions at various levels, with the State Government of Nagaland to resolve the issue.

Status of various projects undertaken by ONGC

428. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry had written a communication to the Oil and Natural Gas Commission on the status of various projects undertaken by the Commission;

(b) if so, whether the Commission has replied to the Ministry; and

(c) if so, the contents of the reply justifying the delay on the completion of the projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR): (a) to (c) Yes Sir. The status of implementation of major projects are regularly monitored by the Ministry through periodic reports, separate meetings/communication with ONGC.

Presently ONGC is implementing six major projects. Out of these, the three projects of ONGC are facing time overrun and the reasons given by ONGC for their delay are as under:—

Project	Scheduled date of completion	Anticipated date of completion	Reasons for delay
1. Gandhar Development Project	May, 1996	March, 1999	1. Continued slow construction progress and poor resource mobilisation by contractors viz. Public Sector Units (M/s. BHPV, M/s. BHEL, M/s. MECON) and Private Sector Units (M/s. Lloyds Steels Ltd.).
2. Implementation of Insitu combustion technology at Santhal	Oct., 1997	Dec., 1998 (without modification) May, 1999 (with modification)	
3. Implementation of Insitu combustion technology at Balol	July, 1997	March, 1998 (without modification) March, 1999 (with modification)	2. Floods in Mehsana district (Gujarat) in July/August, 1997